

Disappearance of the Outside

**Edmonton, Alberta,
in the time of COVID-19**

2021

June

Butterdome area

University of Alberta campus

Downtown

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hydrologic anomaly



shallow near shore waters



the great unknown



valley on the other side



venturing inland



safe house



secret happiness



fleeting glimpse



searching for origins



in an imagined world



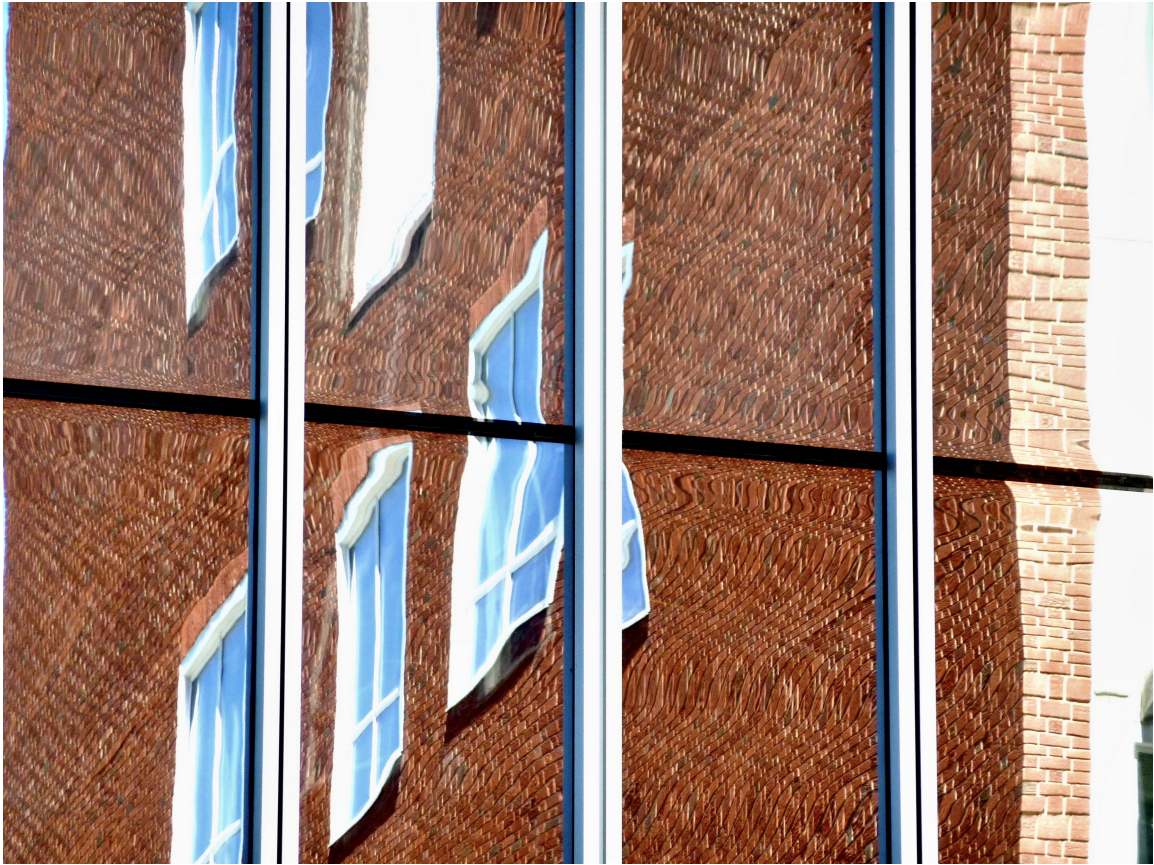
this unknown place



place of vanishings



our collapsing institutions



reinterpreting institutional history



no answer to any of these questions



chain gang



caught between time zones



bearer of bad news



a river runs through it



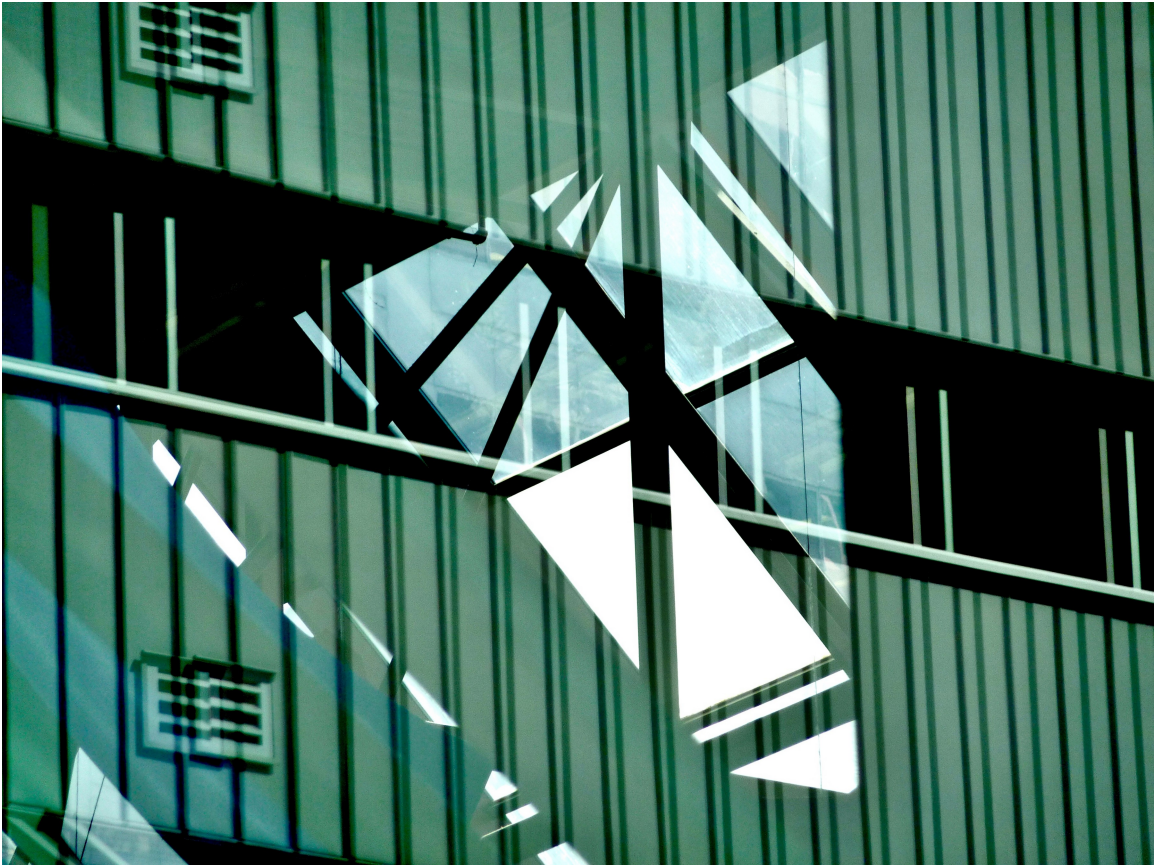
diverted river



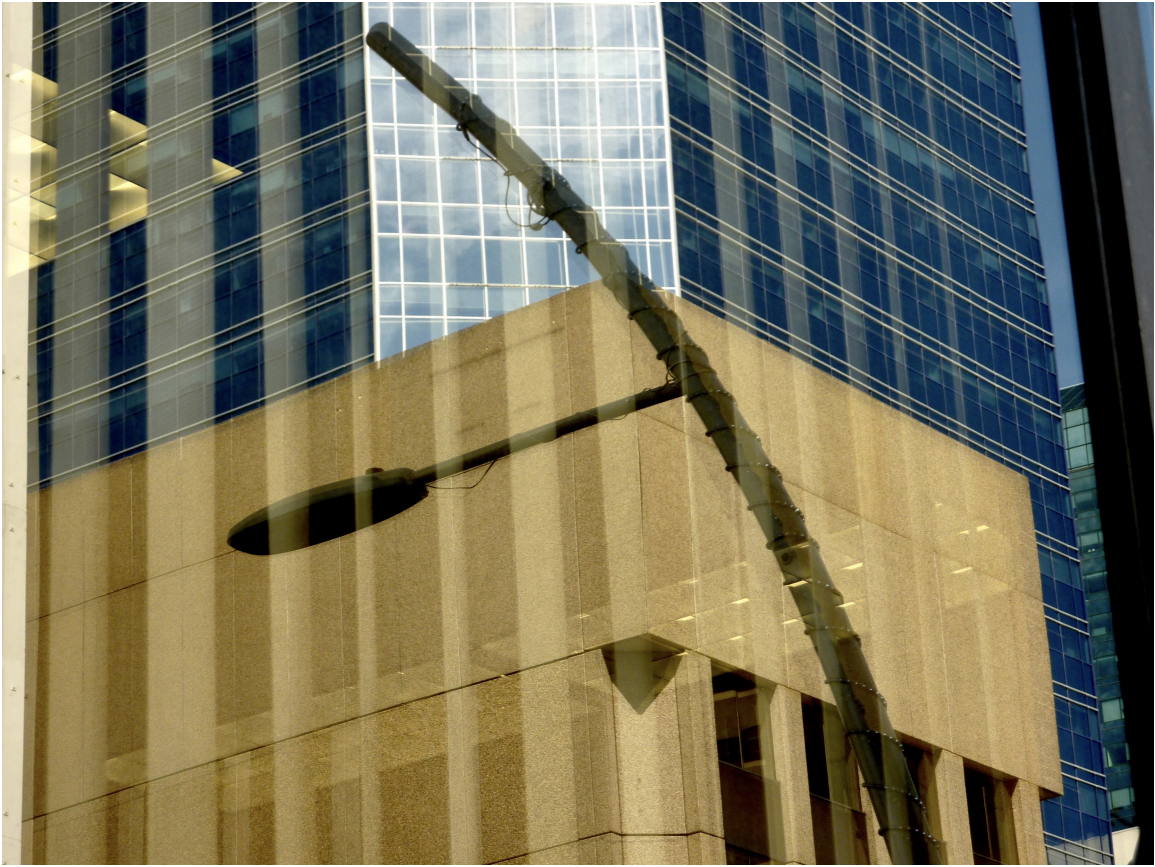
disrupted life line



the unreliability of witness accounts



moments of illusion and passion



surfacing



aeolian processes



time and tide wait for no man

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August-October 2021

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